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MEETING MINUTES¹

Meeting Date: October 14, 1999

Meeting Time: 10:30 A.M.

Meeting Place: State House, 200 W. Washington

St., Room 404

Indianapolis, Indiana **Meeting City:**

Meeting Number:

Members Present: Sen. Robert Garton, Chairman; Sen. Richard Young; Sen.

> Harold Wheeler; Sen. Joseph Harrison; Sen. Patricia Miller; Sen. James Lewis; Sen. Earline Rogers; Rep. Paul Mannweiler; Rep. Mark Kruzan; Rep. Dale Grubb; Rep. William Cochran; Rep. Charlie Brown; Rep. Jeffrey Linder; Rep. Richard Mangus.

Members Absent: Sen. Thomas Wyss; Rep. John Gregg, Vice-Chairman.

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 10:45 am, requested the calling of the roll, and announced the presence of a quorum. The Chairman excused the absent members.

Local and State Law Center Contribution

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The Chairman explained that this item concerned the request by the Local and State Law Center for continued funding by the Legislative Council. He recounted that this item had been discussed at the September 23, 1999 Council meeting, and that he had requested Philip Sachtleben, Executive Director of the Legislative Services Agency (LSA), to obtain a written confirmation from Mr. Bill Pound, Executive Director of the National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL), that Indiana could choose from three funding mechanisms (one lump sum payment of \$70,000, two annual payments of \$35,000, or continued annual payments of \$7000).

After a brief discussion, a motion by Senator Wheeler that the Legislative Council urge the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Council to make two annual payments from the Council's Contingency Fund to the Local and State Law Center was adopted by consent.

Report of the Data Processing Subcommittee on LIC charges

The Chairman asked Senator Harrison to report on the actions of the Data Processing Subcommittee. Senator Harrison reported that the Subcommittee had met prior to the full Council meeting to consider: (1) eliminating the \$0.15 per page "over the counter" fee paid to the Legislative Information Center (LIC) and (2) increasing the "all bill service" charges for LIC customers. Senator Harrison reported that the Subcommittee had unanimously voted to continue the current charging practices while continuing to investigate other ideas to improve service to the LIC customers.

Report of the Space Utilization Subcommittee

Representative Grubb reported that he and Senator Wheeler had met with persons charged with planning the new Judicial Center to the north of the State House. Representative Grubb noted that Senator Wheeler and he had focused on three legislative priorities in their discussion. These included: (1) the need for adequate first floor legislative meeting rooms; (2) the need to consolidate all of the judicial offices presently scattered through Marion County; and (3) the need for adequate security measures.

In reply to Senator Lewis's question, Representative Grubb stated that the Department of Administration (DOA) planners have agreed to give Senator Wheeler and him information on how much space will be freed up once the judges move to the planned building.

In reply to Representative Brown's question, Representative Grubb stated that the preliminary discussions concerning parking would involve two or more underground parking levels (under the new building) while the present legislator lot north of the State House would be removed and the area landscaped.

In reply to Representative Linder's question, Representative Grubb stated that he hoped the planners could include ten to twelve adequately sized legislative committee rooms and a larger auditorium within their plans.

Complete Count funding request

The Chairman announced that subsequent to the September 23 Council meeting he had been in contact with representatives of the Administration and that based on their commitment to provide \$185,000 in funds to the Complete Count Committee the Chairman was removing this item from further consideration by the Legislative Council.

<u>Adjournment</u>

The Chairman announced that until new business arises no further Council meetings would be scheduled for this interim. The meeting was adjourned at 11:05 am.